



Date June 5, 2009

Notice of Final Determination
SEPA File No. 09-042702

The Department of Natural Resources issued a ☒ Determination of Non-significance (DNS), ☐ Mitigated Determination of Non-significance (MDNS), ☐ Modified DNS/MDNS on **April 23, 2009** for this proposal under the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) and WAC 197-11-340(2).

This threshold determination is hereby:

☒ Retained.

☐ Modified. Modifications to this threshold determination include the following:

☐ Withdrawn. This threshold determination has been withdrawn due to the following:

☐ Delayed. A final threshold determination has been delayed due to the following:

Summary of Comments and Responses (if applicable):

The Washington State Department of Fish & Wildlife and The Nature Conservancy commented regarding consideration for shrub-steppe habitat and impacts to wildlife.

This SEPA only addressed the act of leasing for Wind Power. If leases are executed and before the project advances to construction of wind turbines, field investigations of plants and wildlife in the site areas will be conducted. The studies will place emphasis on shrub-steppe habitat and impacts to wildlife. The sites will also be surveyed for archeological and cultural resources. Consequently, an additional and specific SEPA review through Grant County will occur prior to permitting for wind turbines, to address sensitive design elements.

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There is no agency SEPA appeal.